

NBMR Journal 1941-47



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THE NORTH BENGAL MOUNTED RIFLES

Auxiliary Force, India

Formed on August 6th, 1872 as the Northern Volunteer Rifle Corps.

Absorbed the Darjeeling Volunteer Rifle Corps on August 5, 1881

Reorganized February 15, 1899 under the present designation.

Crest - the Bengal Tiger, with motto "FIDELITER"

HQ - Darjeeling, N. Bengal

Honorary Colonel - His Excellency Sir Fredrick Burrows, G.C.I.E.

Governor. of Bengal

Commandant - Lt.-Col R. Moss E.D. A.D.C.

Composition - Regimental Headquarters

2 Squadrons Cavalry

1 Squadron (4) Motor Troops

4 Platoons Cadets

Uniform - Khaki, Mess Dress - Blue with white facing

Regimental Sports colours - Dark green with thin, double-white stripes.

ROLL OF HONOUR

1940	P. Percy Lancaster	Drowned
	J. Littlejohn	Lost in bombing raid over Germany
	J Gillmore	Killed in action
1942	H.S.S. Albright	Killed in action
	C.A. Ansel	POW Malaya, died of malaria
	G. B. Featherstone	Killed in action
	J.D.S. Mitchell	Killed in action
	H.T. Store	Died of wounds
	A. Stourton	Killed in action
	A.M. Thompson	Died of Blackwater fever
1943	D.E.M.Cook	Killed in action
	J.H. Heywood	Died on Service
	R.A. Young	Killed in action
1944	R.M. Crichton	Died on Service
1945	K.J. Falconar	Killed in action, Burma
	J.S. Mackenzie	Killed in action, Burma

OBITUARY OF MEMBERS OF THE CORPS

NAME	DATE	
Pte. W.A.C. Cantopher	26 th June	1941
Pte. W.S.L. Boileau	21 st July	1941
Pte. J.C. Littlejohn	12 th Sept	1941
Tpr R.T. MacDonald	4 th Jan	1942
Hon Chaplain, DR. J.A. Graham C.I.E V.D.	15 th May	1942
Corpl I.R. Ballantyne	19 th May	1942
Major J.H. Heywood	6 th July	1942
Tpr. D. J. Samuel	9 th Jan	1943
Rest, W.H. Luff	25 th March	1943
Lt.Col. S Brabant-Smith, V.D.	2 nd Aug	1943
Corpl P.V. Osbourne	16 th June	1943
His Excellency Sir John Herbert, G.C.S.I	11 th Dec	1943
Hon. Colonel of Regiment		
Tpr. E.H. Dopbspn	5 th Aug	1944
Tpr. J.W Gellatley	12 th Sept	1944
Tpr. D.W.Woodthorpe	13 th Jan	1945
Tpr. J.E.Boyd	12 th March	1945
Tpr. J. Strachan	30 th March	1945
Tpr. K. Dampier-Child	8 th July	1945
Lt. Col. L. Drysdale, V.D.	14 th Sept	1945
Tpr. D.R. Duchat	18 th Sept	1945
F/Sergt E.R. Lloyd	Sept	1945
Rest A.C. Rockets	30 th Sept	1945
Lt. Q.M. T.L. Butler		1945

The Viceroy's House, New Delhi,

December 15th 1942

It has given me great pleasure to follow the conspicuous success which has attended the efforts of members of the Indian Tea Association in assisting the civil and military authorities on the frontiers of Eastern India. Their immediate and voluntary response to the situation beyond the normal resources of the civil administration, and their continued devoted service on both refugee and military projects, resulted in the saving of many thousands of lives and the achievement of an enterprise for which the refugees and all India must be grateful.

Nor do I overlook the devoted and often heroic conduct of the labourers from the tea gardens. I am aware that both planter and labourers have risked and sometimes lost their lives in these great causes to which they set themselves. I would be glad if your Association would convey to all its members and the labourers working with them my profound gratitude for their splendid services and the selfless spirit in which they have been rendered.

Signed Linlithgow

Viceroy & Governor General of India

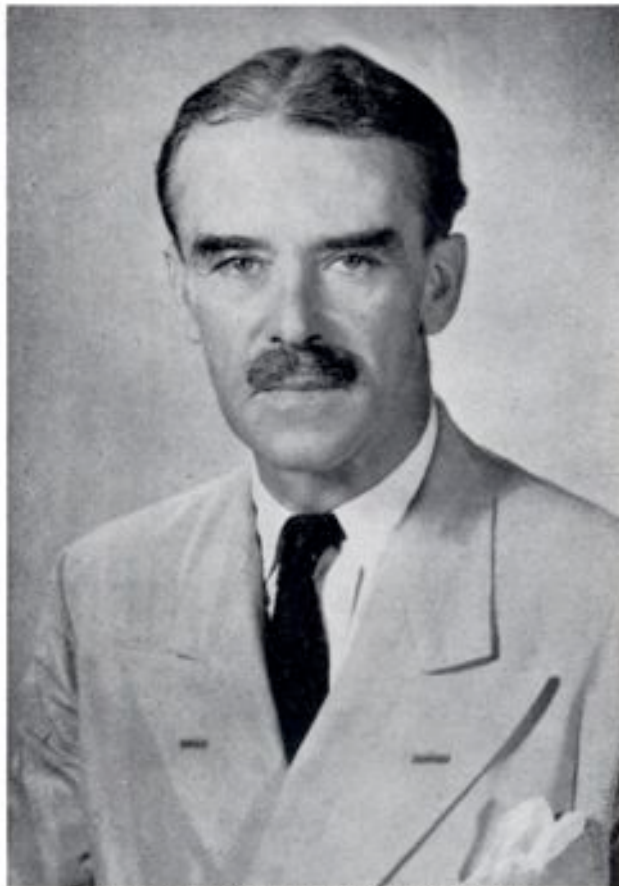
Viceroy Camp, Nagpur India
Wavell

25th February 1944 from Lord

I am reminded that March 3rd will be the second anniversary of the beginning of a great work, the Manipur Road project, in which the Indian Tea Association has played such a great part. Since I was so closely concerned as Commander-in-Chief with this work, which enabled the withdrawal of the Burma Army to be carried out in a safe and an orderly manner and has since been the main line of communication for a large proportion of the troops engaged in the re-occupation of Burma, I take the opportunity of this anniversary to express to all concerned my appreciation of the value of the services they have rendered to the war effort – the management of the Indian Tea Association by their efficient organization, the planters by the way they have carried on with reduced labour, and the labourers themselves who have worked with such good spirit. I saw the work myself on a number of occasions so am able to appreciate the difficulties overcome and the spirit shown.

Signed Wavell. F.M.

Honorary Colonel of the Northern Bengal Mounted Rifles



The Right Hon. R. G. Casey, C.H., D.S.O., M.C.

EDITORIAL NOTES – 1941 –47

It is 1940 since the corps journal was last published – five years of eventful in the history of our Nation and portentous to the future of mankind.

The Journal shows in the coldest of all forms – printed tables. The physical contribution which members of this Corps made to that supreme effort of an embattled people.

During those years there was one man we took to our hearts. We can bear to hear again those imperishable words of his: for we are not ashamed.

“Let us therefore brace our selves to our duties and so bear ourselves that, if the British Empire and its Commonwealth last for a thousand years, men will still say –

“ This was their finest hour.”



Lt-Col R. Moss E.D. A. D. C.
Officer Commanding Northern Bengal Mounted Rifles

THE COMMANDING OFFICER'S NOTES – 1945

"Often it is inaction that is the hardest to bear. Just going on doing the same old thing.

But it is well written that:

"THEY ALSO SERVE WHO ONLY STAND AND WAIT"
Lord Wavell.

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Before commencing these notes it is with deep regret I have to record the great loss to our Regiment of our late Hon. Colonel H.E. Sir John Herbert, G.C.I.E. who died at Calcutta on 11th December, 1943

His Excellency and Lady Mary Herbert honoured the Regiment in attending Camp at Jalpaiguri in 1941 and their visit will long be remembered as the last of The Good Old Days.

Lt-Col R.S.E. Treanor E. D., has now left India, and on behalf of all members, I offer our very best wishes both to him, Mrs Treanor and their family.

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Training

"Many of us are now tired. To those I would say,
Victory goes to the side that holds out longest. " Earl Haig

It has been extremely difficult to carry out our training, with the severe strain of work, and short staffs, on all our members. Combined training has been confined to tactical Exercise, and Bivouac, mainly on Internal Security

Sirocco Cup

It is most gratifying to record the success of these members in this competition

H.E. Tyndale
Winner 1943

J.A. D. Williams

G. Clayphan

Demolition Course

A most interesting course of lectures and demonstrations in demolition was given by
Capt. Broe. R. E., both at Darjeeling and Mal, which was much appreciated by all Ranks.

Au Revoir

I have just heard some of our oldest members are leaving shortly on retirement. Among them are Tprs. John Brown. G.D. Macpherson, E. P. Johnson. G. Worling. I thank you all.

Honours

I should like to send our Best Wishes to all our comrades at present serving in H.M. Forces, and congratulations to the following:-

Lt-Col. N. A. Stanley, D.S.O. O.B.E.
Major J. A. Robertson, M.C. and Bar
Major N. E. Pim, M.C.
Major J. R. Gordon, M. C.
Capt. C.C. Bailey, M.C.
Major H. J. Hardwick, M.C.
Capt. R.B.T. Morton, M.C.
Lt-Col J. Hay Arthur, M.B.E
Major P.S. Wibmer, M.B.E

Permanent Staff

I would like to thank Capt. J. Parker (Adjutant) and the Staff for their loyal support and assistance under the most difficult conditions. And Congratulations to Mrs Parker on the well earned reward of Kaisar-I-Hind for her untiring efforts in the "Services Canteen" throughout the War.

1946

Many members have rejoined us from the Service. I offer them a hearty welcome.

We have had during War to resort to mechanised methods of training but unfortunately have not so far been equipped with Army Vehicles except Bren Carriers.

I know many Members and I, personally regret the necessity of mechanization, but our role necessitates mobility, and therefore we must bow to the inevitable.

I feel confident our friend the "Gee" will stay for many years yet, with those that still retain that horse sense which cultivates a feeling of comradeship which the motor will never do.

Training

This usual Squadron Bivouacs have been carried out during the season and although the attendance of the N. Sqdr. At Bendhubi and Mal was very poor, the training was interesting and carried out efficiently.

Cadets

It is a pleasure to record the interest which the boys of the School Cadet Platoons have taken in their training and I offer my congratulations on their high standard of efficiency.

Annual Training Camps have been held throughout the war , St Paul's and Victoria have taken part in Regimental Bivouacs at Mal It is unfortunate St Joseph's did not participate in these camps.

Farewell

It was most unfortunate our Hon, Col. The Right Honourable Sir R.G. Casey C..H. D.S.O. M.C. was unable to visit us in camp before relinquishing office. On behalf of all Members,
I wish their Excellencies a continued Happy and Prosperous life Down Under.

Welcome

It is with great pleasure I am able to record His Excellency Sir Fredrick Burrows G.C.I.E. has honoured the Regiment by becoming Honorary Colonel/



His Excellency Sir FREDRICK BURROWS, G.C.I.E.

THE ROAD

In the mists of the morning and at day's decline,
God's peace is shattered by the whine
Of traffic down the Road.
Paint bedaub'ed vehicles, with strange revealing signs
As Atta, Rum and Rice and Ghee,
Snake up in tortuous lines.

But it is not only life-sustaining things,
Or comforts, which the convoy brings,
For sometimes down the Road
Death-protending guns roll by: or neatly in its packs
A mountain battery: and tanks,
Hastening to blood their tracks.

Through the maze of traffic, dust and ceaseless hum,
With skilful ease, fast-weaving, come
The men who made the Road.
Not of their strength they give, but in them lies the touch
To get, from humbler hands,
The work that means so much.

God of Life! What right has man to use his skill
To help men, slaughter, maim and kill,
For which we built this Road?
Answering without pause, straight, as a shaft of light
Through shuttered dark, the heart replies
"Be still you have the right."

Asking again it said "It is, so that all men
In many lands and under many skies,
Leaving the castles of their homes,
Treading the earth undisposed,
Fearless, may take their children and with sure
Pressure-returning hands, in peace and benison,
May lead them down the Road."

J. C. Henderson

CAR "V" THE HORSE

Las time I went to my tailor, after garlanding himself with his tape measure, he said " You've gone out a bit at the knees , Sir". That's one against the Horse. It's a deformity you can't avoid if you take to a horse young and ride him consistently. That happened before the hoot and whirr of cars disturbed our quiet and peaceful methods, spreading a pall of dust over the first ten rows of tea.

The prelude to a visit in those days was the sound of hoof beats as they turned down the drive, perhaps a little application of the spur to stage a spectacular entrance. Swank? Yes, but we all had our idiosyncrasies in those days, like the horses we rode.

The horse was our bread and butter, our friend, our hostage for sanity. There he stood in the morning to take us out to work. On polo days here was he there again, immediately after lunch with eight or ten miles go before the game. He was lucky if he got off with two chukkas.

I can savour those rides now an almost talk to those dead and scattered comrades who shared them. Off we would set in companionable wisps, the horse eager to get home as we. Clopperty-clop over bridges for which we had cautiously dismounted. The jingle of bits. the creaking of leather, the half-muttered curse or encouragement, the muffled hoof beats were the only sounds breaking the stillness of the night. There'd be an occasional 'Good Night' as one of us would break away down his own road.

Then not let us forget those Parades when, in serried ranks, pressed tight, knee to knee, we performed an amazing number of wheels, right and left all in top gear. We jostled, cursed, kicked and pulled according to our horse. Over the 'Khets' we went. 'Extend' 'Rally' 'The Troop will Retire' 'Troop right-about wheel.'

We can never forget the keen rivalry of camp, how much the horse made the man. The rise at the jump, the lead-horses in hand going well. The sweat and blow, heart beats of point-to-point, the click of the ball on the polo field: these are our memories.

And I who have lived and loved this. I, to whom the smell of sweat and leather was as myrrh and frankincense. I, who have 'gone out at the knees', say the horse must give place to the Car.

The horse is dead for us and something has died with it. But there is no doubt that the Knight of the Steel Horse will as successfully find some way of fulfilling these elemental human needs of endeavour, of acceptance of risk, of mutual rivalry and achievement. Of companionship the horse gave us.

"Hail & Farewell !"

Northern Squadron Training Notes. L. Hanagan, Major. 1940 1943

Before recording the events of the Squadron, I'd like to offer congratulations to Lt-Col R.S. Moss on his appointment to Command of the Regiment in May 1943

Looking back I feel a deep sense of gratitude to my Troop Officers for their unfailing support: Billy, Walter, Jimmy. John and Mike. Also to my Non-Coms – that old warrior Martin, Joe, C.D. Harold, Wilkie, Charles and M.B.

Nor can I forget the Instructional Staff: Bradford, Solomon, now an officer in N.I's Forces, Davie and Stevens.

Dunkirk gave us a jolt. Reservists now became Active and even those on the Retired list came forward – Lt-Col George Webb and E.G. Birch and others like them.

Right through 1940 we trained hard, with weekly parades throughout the monsoon in the Gymkhana Club, averaging musters of 70-80. In the dry months that followed we practiced in the field. Gradually, however, our strength was whittled away as the younger members were called up.

1941-1942. The Regiment was re-organized into three mounted squadrons – the North, Western, Eastern and L.M.T. Troop

The re-organization of the Regiment lopped off the Mal Troop, who went to make up the Western Squadron. By 1943 all our younger men had left and our parade muster was down to 25-30. Somewhat regretfully, on March 31st I handed over Command of the Squadron to Capt. W.H. Mathews.

W. H. Mathews. Captain E.D, O.C. 1944-45

Since the last publication the strength of the Northern Squadron has shrunk from 96 Active and 31 Reservist to 47 Active and 34 Reservist Members. Many of the Reservists have been out of the Corps for years and have come back in time of National emergency. More power to their elbows.



Western Squadron Training Notes.
J.C. Henderson. Captain E.D, O.C. 1941-1945

The last Regimental Camp was held in January 1941 in our old stamping ground of Jalpaiguri, when it was found impracticable owing to the shortage of staff left on the Gardens to hold a Camp so far away. So in 1942 it was held at Mal.

Training during 1941 consisted of rounding up imaginary groups of hostile paratroops.

No 1 Troop was in charge of Lt. A.C. Deck, M.C. During the year Mr Hardwick was commissioned and took over No 2 Troop from Sgt. A.T.L Haggart. Early in the year S.S.I. Verral left and S.S.I. J. Elkins took over as instructor. He proved to have a Japanese mind!

1942-43. Training was chiefly concentrated in perfecting our call-up arrangements.

Collective training comprised a Bivouac with Eastern at Binnaguri and one in our area. One was also held with Northern at Bendubi.

We have to thank Nigle Pim for the influx of Chargers, when on the course of his duties he came across some ownerless horses. They were loaned to us by the Government.

During the year 2Lt. Hardwick received a commission in the Army and the charge of No. 2 Troop again fell to Sgt Haggart.

1943-44 Throughout the Rains 3 Bivouacs were held. One with Eastern at Nagrakatta; one with Northern in the Terai; one at Mal where Northern joined us.

A group became efficient in demolition.

Lt. A.C.Deck, M.C. resigned his commission but rejoined as a Trooper. JP Shaw was granted a commission and took over No. 1 Squadron. Elkins left and S.S.I. J.A. Stevens replaced him.

1944-45. We kept up our 3 Bivouacs with depleted numbers; the strain of the Eastern Frontier projects telling on us.

1945-46. During J.C.Henderson's absence in England, Lt. J.P. Shaw took charge of the Squadron and was in charge of No. 1 Troop. No. 2 Troop was under Sgt Haggart, No 3 under Cpl. D Buchanan. The Squadron Sgt. Major was W. Woodcock.

Training was monthly parades during the Rains and collective training during the cold weather. The first bivouac was held with Northern in Bengdhubi and they and Eastern joined us at Nagrakatta. Mr Cottan and his quick-change artists, acted each time as an ingenious, subtle enemy.

1943-44 Eastern Squadron G.E. Normington, Captain. O.C.

The extreme emergency seems to be over as far as our active co-operation in the War is concerned. Many of our older Members were reverting to the ranks of the Reserve, though an emergency saw them all rallying again.

In February and March we raise our hats to "W" for turning out a troop of horses for two days on Mounted work. It was a pleasure to have the Darjeeling Cadets join in.

I'm sure I echo the wished of the Squadron in expressing sympathy to the relatives of our Members who may have fallen and to those who have perhaps the hardest lot, that of the Prison Camp.

1944-45 Eastern Squadron D. Young O.C.

At the start of the training season the Squadron Commander went Home on leave. And there were far too few of us left for the Squadron Bivouac in December and it had to be cancelled. The scheme was planned to cover the Chilapata route between Hasimara and Dalgaon.

In February we supported Western in a home match at Nagrakatta against a strong force of the armed police.

The Regimental Bivouac was well attended by Eastern and we were pleased to contact the rest of the unit – though we lost the race to the Chel club.

An assignment of our American Allies in the Hills left a Dakota around and I am indebted to an ex-Spitfire pilot Squadron member for a vertical view of our area.

The Armoured carriers put in some good work and we learned a lot about their capabilities. We welcome back most warmly those members who were away in H.M. Forces ... and our Squadron Commander.



Bivona March, 1946

SOME PERSONALITIES OF THE N.B.M.R.

We own a fine fellow called Moss,
Who looks as well on his feet as a hoss.
We say he is ours
Though he wields all the powers,
A grad bloke to have as a boss

Our 'Second' is Major L. Hannagan,
Half-brother to Patsy O'Flannagan.
If the troops he should chide
Their blushes they hide.
First they go red and then go wan again.

Our Adjutant's a very old hand
He can raise things like bully-beef (canned).
By reading Kings Regs
He could produce even eggs
If there were any eggs in the land.

"Billy" he lives in Namring
When he isn't hunting the bear for his skin.
He really gets into gear
When he's hunting the Dear
But it's the bear skin he says is the thing.

The West have Henderson J.,
Who persists in his own happy way
To strive with the best,
And is ready to jest
Though he's a Pundit in Tea, so they say.

The Eastern have Normington, G.,
And a very good officer, he.
Though sometimes he frets
When dealing with "sweats"!
Yet he knows his own job to a 'T'.

Maude is the name of a girl,
But our one hasn't a curl.
He's the mechanical genius
Who considers it heinous
If we can't raise the dust in a whirl.

There is "Mike" who talks with a brogue
And is usually dressed a la vogue.
He wears on his dial

His usual smial
But I've never yet found what's the jogue.

"Simmy" is somewhat forthright
But he knows his left from his right
A man of mettle
To be grasped like a nettle
And a damned good bloke in a fight.

John there's Durnford F.J.,
Who does things in a very big way.
But he'd be at a loss
On the points of a hoss –
Mere mention of one makes him sway.

The last to join the Officer's ranks
Is Jack Shaw – or is it Longshanks?
He has the trust of his men
And knows all his 'Gen'.
For this addition much thanks.

'West' S.Q.M.S. Webster, John
Can't get his bib and tucker on
The strings don't meet
And he can't see his feet,
But the Mess that he makes is just 'bon'.

There's Sergeant Harley, called John
Who has *such* a long way to go
That an excuse can be made
If he makes his Parade
The occasion for doing a show.

Do you know little Sergeant Refroy?
He's a man, though he looks like a boy.
He's always for fun
But give him a gun
And his performance (if you're behind him) 's a joy.

These are some of the N.B.M.R.
Trained in the arts of Planting and War.
They are many more in addition
Who maintain the tradition
And keep up the name of the Corps.

"FIDELITER"



We have been considering a new head gear for the Corps.
No Prize for Spotting the Winner.



Captain J. Parker

CAPT J. PARKER, ADJUTANT

- The Meritorious Service Medal
- 1914 Star
- General Service Medal
- Victory Medal
- Long Service & Good Conduct Medal
- Coronation Medal
- 1939-45 Star
- India Defence Medal
- India War Medal

Jack Parker joined the 18th Royal Hussars in 1913 and went to France with the B.E.F on August 5th when the war was one day old. He was wounded and taken prisoner on July 17th 1917 and was returned to England in December after the Armistice.

He came out to India in 1919 and served on the North-West Frontier where he was promoted Sergeant. After this he was posted to the Guards Depot at Caterham as Instructor of the Cavalry Depot, Canterbury.

He returned to Meerut, India in 1927 and a year later accepted the appointment of S.S.I. with the Surma-Valley Light Horse, Silchar. It was from this date that he began his long connection with the Planter's Auxiliary Force.

He came to the N.B.M.R. in 1934, gained the rank of W.O. in 1937 and transferred to the Indian Army. He was commissioned and appointed Adjutant of the Corps in 1944 and rose to rank of Captain. He holds the record for a permanent post on the H.Q. Staff.

During the war he shouldered many other duties, being Executive Officer. Lebong and Jalaphar Cantonments, and S.S.O. Darjeeling.

His wife Lillian was the stuff warriors are made of. When she joined the S.V.L.H. she must have been surprised to see so many wild men at her first Camp. The Mess-Basha was just that – a mess. At the next Camp she brought some civilizing influence with Regimental colours around bamboo supports and Shields of the Empire on the walls.

He is due to retire this June 1947 after 34 years of service. We wish them both well.

S.S.M. K. O. Shebbeare. An Appreciation

There is no need to write a description of E.O. Shebbeare. The photographer has captured the charming man with the big heart and large hat that we of N. Bengal have always known.

He joined the N.B.M.R. in 1910 and was Sergt. Major of "A" Squadron and the old Northern Squadron.

He is a keen mountaineer and expeditions to Everest and Kanchenjunga would have been lost without him. He was on the Everest climbs of 1924 and 1933 and Baur's two climbs up Kanchenjunga in 1929 and 1931.

After retiring from the Forest, he became chief Game Warden of Malaya. He was taken prisoner early in 1942 by the Japanese and interred in Singapore. While a prisoner he was famous for the snail farm he ran for the P.O.W.'s.

After his release in August 1945 he came back to his old haunts, friends and the Forest Areas he had been so closely associated with. He went Home for a well-earned rest and hopes to return here soon.

The words of Pope to Addison sum up old "She" as he was known to us...

"Of Soul Sincere

In action faithful, and in honour clear:

Who broke no promise, served no private end,

Who gained no title and who lost no friend."

N.B.M.R. ROLL

Regimental Headquarters

Lt.-Colonel R.S. Moss ED., A.D.C.	Kalchini T.E.	P.O. Kalchini.
Major L. Hannagan	Margaret's Hope T.E.	Tung
Captain J. Parker	Adjutant H.Q	Darjeeling
R.Q.M.S. J Elkins	Quartermaster	Darjeeling
Attached		
Major C.C.Harrison	Rungamuti T. E.	Mal P.O.
Lt. A.D. Henson	Cadet Officer, St Paul's School	Jalapahar
Lt. V.C. Prins	Cadet Officer, Victoria School	Kurseong
2 nd Lt D.A. Rosa	Cadet Officer A.C Homes	Kalimpong

NORTHERN SQUADRON HEADQUARTERS

Capt. W.H. Matthews <i>Squadron Commander</i>	Namring T.E.	Rungli Rungliot.
H.E. Johnson Staff Sergeant-Instructor	H.Q. Darjeeling	Darjeeling
J.A. Harley Sqd. Sergeant-Major	Kallej Valley T.E	Sonada
F.W.M. Duplock Sqd. Quartermaster Sergeant	Gymkana Club	Darjeeling
H.A. White Farrier Sergeant	. Gungaram T.E.	Baghdogra

Northern Squadron No 1.Troop: Darjeeling – Chontong

<i>Mounted</i>	Date Joined	Tea Estate	P.O.
<i>Troop Commmander</i>			
Captain E.W. Maude	17-8-29	Tukvar.	Darjeeling
Cpl. J. M. Evendon	1-4-25	Kayel	Marybong
Tpr. A.E. I. Falconar	5-2-46	Bannockburn	Lebong
Tpr. T.J. Hardingham	11-12-45	Badamtam	Lebong
Tpr. G.R. Kerr	27-11-29	Poobong	Ghoom
Tpr. C.D.Moore	14-9-39	Barnesbeg	Darjeeling
Sergt H. Clarke	12-6-40	St Paul's School	Jalapahar
<i>Motor Troop</i>			
Serg L.W. Ford	24-12-39	Commercial Row	Darjeeling
Cpl. M.M. Betten	1-1-26	Tukvar	Darjeeling
Pte. F.J. Durnford	3-11-37	Ging	Lebong
Pte. G.E. O'Donahue	28-9-28	Liza Hill	Lebong
Pte. J.H. Warren	12-6-40	St Paul's School	Jalapahar
<i>Reserve</i>			
F' Serg H.I. Falconar	1-11-33	Bannockburn	Lebong
Pte. E.G. J Bee	28-3-11	Senchal Dairy	Ghoom
Tpr. W. H. Cook	22-1-21	Mim	Ghoom
Pte. A. J. Dash	1-4-41	Kenmure Point	Darjeeling
Tpr. C.W. Emmett	6-10-24	Lingia	Marybong
Pte. S. J Emmett	2-9-39	Glenburn	Darjeeling
Tpr. L. J Goddard	12-6-40	St Paul's School	Jalapahar
Pte. F.G. Marsh	27-11-20	Phoosering	Lebong
Pte. A. E.. Wale	11-9-39	The Ridge	Darjeeling

Northern Squadron No 2. Troop: Hope Town - Nagri Spur - Mirik

Troop Commander Lt. D. Murison	1-2-20	Badamtam	Lebong
<i>Mounted</i>			
Cpt A, MacLennan	12-7-38	Moondakotti	Sonada
Lt. Cpl. A. Watt	1-1-26	Dooteriah	Sonada
Tpr, F.W.B. Bearpark	2-10-39	Seeyok	Mirik
Tpr. K.J. D. Dominy	10-2-46	Pussimbing	Ghoom
Tpr. F. W H. Evans	20-12-29	Okajti	Mirik
Tpr. H. A. Grierson	6-3-46	Sumripani	Nagri Spur
Tpr. H. Hay	5-9-39	Rungmook	Sonada
Tpr, G. A. Lloyd	12-9-40	Thurbo	Mirik
Tpr R. W. Mackay	6-10-45	Ringtong	Tung
Tpr. H. E. A. Ray	1-4-29	Chamong	Nagri Spur
Tpr. H. G. Spooner	13-3-21	Ringtong	Tung
<i>Motor Troop</i>			
Pte. E.H. Adamson	30-11-30	Chamong	Nagri Spur
Pte. C De G. Curry	23-12-21	Thurbo	Mirik
Pte. P. Nichols	18-7-45	Nagri Farm	Nagri Spur
Pte. R. Trotter	15-3-30	Selimbong	Nagri Spur
<i>Reserve</i>			
S.Q.M.S. F.L. H. Oakley	1-10-20	Turzam	Nagri Spur
Tpr. K. I. M. Fagan	21-6-40	Dooteriah	Sonada
Tpr. V. P. M. Hudson	22-6-40	Nagri	Nagri Spur
Tpr, J. W. Mackensie	9-9-39	Sungma	Nagri Spur
Tpr. R. M. Thomson	1-10-30	Okati	Mirik
Pte. F. J. A. Terrell	8-1-21	Nagri Farm	Nagri Spur

Northern Squadron No 3. Troop: Teesta Valley – Kalimpong

<i>Mounted</i>	Date Joined	Tea Garden	P.O.
Tpr. W. A. Donald	19-5-37	Gielle	Rungli Rungliot
Tpr. A. J. L. Lister	30-5-10	Pashok	Pashok
Tpr. C. J. Wrenick	4-12-45	Namring	Rungli Rungliot
<i>Motor Troop</i>			
Pte. H. T. Bamfield	19-2-41	Bhutan Lodge, St. A. Homes	Kalimpong
Pte. W.K. Langdale-Smith	10-6-42	Rungli Rungliot	Rungli Rungliot
Pte. L. G. Richards	1-5-31	Gov:Chinchona Plantation	Mungpoo
<i>Reserve</i>			
Cpl. H. R. Edmunds	11-12-20	Morning Side	Kalimpong
Tpr, T. A. Baldry	26-5-26	Teesta Valley	Rungli Rungliot
Pte. C. A. L. Murtough	14-1-46	St. Thomas School	Takdah
Pte. G. Holl	4-8-04	Gov:Chinchona Plantation	Munsong Pedong
Pte. G. A. Webb	26-3-42	Tukdah	Ghoom

Northern Squadron. No 4: Troop Kurseong – Terai

<i>Troop Commander</i>			
Lt. J. Mc. A. Simpson	28-5-21	Chongton	Marybong
<i>Mounted</i>			
Srgt. W. M. Sangster	15-12-26	Marionbari	Smul'bari: Terai
Cpl. C. C. Meldrum	18-5-26	Balasan	Tung
Tpr. J. F. Cook	16-2-46	Murmah	Tung
Tpr. J. Fowlie	11-5-27	Rungamutti	Jalpaiguri
Tpr. T. Livingstone	9-9-39	Phuriguri	Kurseong
Tpr. R. C. Taylor	12-12-26	Balasan	Tung
<i>Motor Troop</i>			
Srgt. C.C. Dodd	8-7-37	Phuguri	Kurseong
Cpl. E. H. Lebrocq	23-1-39	Police Office	Jalpaiguri
Pte. A. C. Watson	26-10-26	Hansqua	Gaya-Ganga
<i>Reserve</i>			
Srgt. J. T. Mulroney	1-10-20	2 Mnteviot	Kurseong
Pte. A.M. Ansell	11-9-39	Ansell & Sons	Tung
Tpr. C.H. Cook	13-9-39	Dow Hill Rd	Kurseong
Pte. B. V. Chinery	1-4-29	Paharghoomiah	Hatighisa
Pte. G. Fairhurst	11-12-24	Ord Teria	Panigatta
Tpr. N. Macara	9-11-29	Belgachi	Panigatta
Pte. D. Napier	16-10-24	New Chumta	New Chumta
Tpr. J. Stodart	13-6-40	Singell	Kurseong
Tpr. M.O. Brien Webb	1-9-39	Ambootia	Kurseong

WESTERN SQUADRON HEADQUARTERS

	Tea Estate	P.O.
<i>Squadron Commander</i>		
Capt. J. C. Henderson	Ranicherra	Sailihat
S.S.I. J. Davie, Staff Sergeant, Instructor, H.Q. Nagrakata		Nagrakata
S.S.M. W. Woodcock	Manabari	Manabari
S.Q.M.S. J. S. Scott	Meenglas	Sailihat
F/Srgt. J. Dewar	Chalouni	Matelli

Western Squadron. No 1 Troop: Oodlabari – Mal

	Date Joined	Tea Estate	P.O.
2 nd Lt. Cmdr. J. P. Shaw	1-6-21	Nakati	Mal
Srgt. G. Carlton	12-1-25	Washabari	Pillanshat
Cpl. C. A. Ewing	24-4-22	Leesh River	Pillanshat
Tpr. M. C. L. Bishop	8-3-42	New Glencoe	Mal
Tpr. P. R. D'Abbs	2-6-45	Ranicherra	Sailihat
Tpr. A. C. Deck	12-2-25	Sylee	Sailihat
Tpr. A. J. D. Low	3-1-27	Dam Dim	Dam Dim
Tpr. J. Muir	1-6-25	Dam Dim	Dam Dim
Tpr. W. B. Smith	16-4-29	Fagu	Fagu
Srgt. C.J. Refoy	24-8-27	Hahaipatha	Mal
Pte. A. E. Ager	1-5-25	Bagrakote	Pillanshat
Pte. M. K. Chopin	1-11-34	Bullabarie	Dam Dim

Motor Troop

Pte. J. Hollifield	1-5-30	Dam Dim	Dam Dim
Pte. W. J. M. Keppie	15-7-40	Rungamutti	Mal
Pte. W. Stewart	1-4-31	Ranicherra	Sailihat
Pte. R. P. Thom	25-11-34	Nowera Nuddy	Neora

Reserve

Pte. A. Cameron	13-9-39	Dam Dim	Dam Dim
Pte. E. F. Deck	1-7-40	Toonbari	Mal
Tpr. J. Greig	14-7-40	Good Hope	Dam Dim
Tpr. E. W. Hughes	14-2-22	New Glencoe	Mal
Tpr. J. J. L. Logan	4-6-41	Kumlai	Dam Dim
Tpr. J. L. McIntosh	13-9-39	Putharjhora	Manabari
Tpr. R. A. Macpherson	15-12-21	Nowera Nuddy	Neora
Pte. M. I. McTaggart	10-9-41	Soongachi	Mal

Western Squadron No. 2: Troop Chalsa – Nagrakata

<i>Mounted</i>	Date Joined	Tea Estate	P.O.
Troop Commander			
Srgt. A. T. L. Haggart	3-11-20	Zurrantee	Matelli
Cpl. D. Buchanan	1-2-23	Jiti	Nagrakata
Tpr. T. W. Allan	30-10-20	Sam Sing	Matelli
Tpr. E. W. Butler	11-12-20	Ghatia	Nagrakata
Tpr. N. Buchanan	1-10-20	Killcott	Matelli
Tpr. T. Cruden	7-1-29	Hope	Nagrakata
Tpr. H. J. Hardwick	7-2-46	Yong Tong	Matelli
Tpr. W. C. H. Hudson	10-2-46	Bhogotpore	Nagrakata
Tpr. A. F. A. Hayward	17-3-46	Bhogotpore	Nagrakata
Tpr. G. M. Meredith	5-12-45	Looksan	Carron
Tpr. L. Tocher	13-1-24	Sam Sing	Matelli
Tpr. F. G. Turner	31-1-46	Killcott	Matelli
Tpr. W. C. Swan	14-12-44	Yong Tong	Matelli
<i>Motor Troop</i>			
Cpl. F. A. W. Moor	4-10-40	Baradighi	Baradighi
Pte. N. Bennett	2-4-29	Baintgoorie	Baradighi
Pte. H. Brabant-Smith	1-1-42	Indong	Matelli
Pte. S. B. Christie	10-1-29	Cholouni	Matelli
Pte. J. W. M. Coutts	26-1-29	Grassmore	Nagrakata
Pte. R. S. Fowler	6-11-29	Nagrakata	Nagrakata
Pte. N. B. Haggart	15-1-24	Sam Sing	Matelli
Pte. D. D. Lindsay	6-4-29	Looksan	Carron
<i>Reserve</i>			
Cpl. C. R. C. Corbin	11-12-20	Sathkyah	Mal
Tpr. D. L. Betts	1-4-27	Kurti	Nagrakata
Lt. Cpl. A. F. D. Coutts	26-1-29	Grassmore	Nagrakata
Tpr. H. G. Coutts	1-7-40	Kurti	Nagrakata
Tpr. P. W. Cresswell	6-11-20	Gov.Cinchona Plant'n.	Kumai-Matelli
Tpr. M. Fraser	24-7-40	Hope	Nagrakata
Tpr. J. G. C. Grant	8-5-40	Bhogotpore	Nagrakata
Pte. R. T. Harvey	17-1-42	Ghatia	Nagrakata
Tpr. A. Johnson	1-10-20	Baradighi	Baradighi
Pte. W. E. Munson	29-5-27	Kumai	Matelli
Pte. J. McCulloch	27-1-42	Carron	Carron
Tpr. J. I. Miller	1-1-31	Sam Sing	Matelli
Pte. D. Mackenzie	1-1-32	Nagaisuree	Matelli
Pte. C. H. Rolfe	25-10-39	Hilla	Nagrakata

EASTERN SQUADRON HEADQUARTERS

Squadron Commander

Lt. Capt. G. E.
Normington

Bundapani T.E.

Barnarhat

J. Davie Staff Sergeant Instructor. H.Q. Nagrakata

Nagrakata

H. Rutter Staff Sergeant Instructor. H.Q. Kalchini

C.T. Irwin Sqdn. Sergeant Major

Bharnobari T. E

Hasimara

S. M. Irving, Sqdn Quartermaster. Sergeant

Gandrapara

Barnarhat

Eastern Squadron No 1 Troop: Barnarhat – Dalgaon

<i>Mounted</i>	Date Joined	Tea Garden	P.O.
Troop Commander			
2 nd Lt. E. Wright-Boycott	1-8-28	Bundapani	Barnarhat
Sgt. J. A. D. Wilkins	1-4-28	Huldibari	Binnaguri
Cpl. F. M. Kerr	1-6-29	Nangdala	Birapara
Cpl. J. A. Messon	1-12-29	Gandrapara	Birapura
Tpr. K. C. Ballantyne	3-2-27	Lankapara	Hantupara
Tpr. T. B. Crombie	4-11-29	Lankipara	Barnarhat
Tpr. A. B. Duncan	15-1-30	Hantupara	Hantupara
Tpr. L. W O'Donaghue	15-6-23	Karballa	Barnahat
Tpr. W. D. Simpson	22-8-26	Telepara	Binnaguri
Tpr. W. C. Taylor	1-2-25	Lankapara	Hantupara
Tpr. M. C. Warner	17-11-30	Dalgaon	Birpara
<i>Motor</i>			
Pte. J. C. Dewars	1-10-20	Saragaon	Birpara
Pte. N. M. Esselemont	10-12-45	Bundapani	Barnarhat
Pte. E. W. Gaul	14-10-30	Tasati	Birpara
Pte. W. McDonald	15-1-30	Gairkatta	Gairkatta
Pte, G. Walker	18-12-28	Dalmore	Birpara
<i>Reserve</i>			
Srgt. H. St. L. Morrison	1-10-20	Dim Dima	Birpara
Tpr. P. S. Allan	11-12-20	Tasati	Birpara
Tpr. A. R. Adamson	25-9-34	Kumargram	Newlands
Pte. E. Anderson	1-9-20	Chunabatti	Barnahat
Pte. G. T. E Badderley	12-3-34	Gairkatta	Gairkatta
Pte, A. B. Bishop	14-2-21	Chengmari	Daicheng
Tpr, W. M. Cook	22-1-21	Barnahat	Barnahat
Pte. T. A. Dobson	11-3-21	Birpara	Birpara
Pte. H. F. Dempster	1-7-40	Ethelbari	Birpara
Pte, G. R. Entwisle	1-12-21	Dalsingpara	Dalsingpara
Pte. J. P Harper	5-7-40	Choonabhutti	Barnahat
Pte G. Jackson	13-11-20	Dumchipara	Hantupara
Tpr. A. P. Longmore	1-9-22	Garganda	Hantupara
Tpr. R. H. Rankin	5-7-40	Damore	Birpara
Pte. G. R. S. Stapleton	11-8-33	Karballa	Barnahat
Pte. H. A. Smith	21-7-40	Nangdala	Birpara
Pte. D. T. Scott	20-7-40	New Dooars	Barnahat
Pte. S. S. Smith	2-7-40	Lakhipara	Barnahat
Pte. E. J. L. Webb	15-5-41	Binnaguri	Binnaguri
Pte, J. H. Worman	10-11-20	Karballa	Barnahat

Eastern Squadron No 2 Troop: Kalchini & Jainti – Sankos

Troop Commander Lt. D. Young	--10-20	Sankos	Newlands
<i>Mounted</i>			
C pl. R. T. Thomas	24-3-23	Dalsingpara	Dalsingpara
Lt. Cpl. H. Harris	1-2-29	Rydak	Rydak
Tpr. R. C. Caine	26-5-45	Rydak	Rydak
Tpr. S. Hague	1-12-45	Rydak	Rydak
Tpr. H. C. Jones	16-1-27	Chinchulla	Kalchini
Tpr. H. Marshall	20-11-25	Rydak	Rydak
Tpr. L. N. S. Pyke	16-9-39	Malangi	Hasimara
Tpr. R. Ross	1-7-29	Beech	Hasimara
Tpr. G. E Spurr	26-8-33	Rydak	Rydak
Tpr. H. E. Tyndale	1-4-22	Mechpara	Kalchini
Tpr. S. G. Young	26-1-34	Gangutia	Kalchini
<i>Motor</i>			
Pte. N. H. Dinnin	8-4-27	Satali	Hasimara
Pte. F. Jamieson	1-7-23	Newlands	Newlands
Pte. J. P. Marshall	1-11-40	Newlands	Newlands
Pte. A. P. Spurling	15-1-30	Kalchini	Kalchini
<i>Reserve</i>			
Tpr. D. H. Barnes	19-1-21	Chuapara	Chuapara
Tpr. C. H. Burke	20-4-45	Kumargram	Newlands
Tpr. L. C. G. Hayne	27-5-11	Mechpara	Kalchini
Pte. J. Johnstone	2-2-27	Phaskawa	Haitpotha
Tpr. C. D. MacIntyre	19-6-23	Bhatkawa	Garopara
Tpr. R. H. Vipan	8-11-29	Chuapara	Chuapara
Tpr. A. V. Pullan	6-7-41	Rydak	Rydak
Pte. C. G. Smythe	9-1-23	Malangi	Hasimara
Pte. A. Skene	14-8-39	Jainti	Hasimra
Pte. F. Stevenson	7-7-41	Rajabhat	Garopara
Tpr. J. S. Turner	23-4-45	Chinchulla	Kalchini

Eastern Squadron No. 3 Troop: Paksey – Rashahi District

Mounted

Troop Commander Srgt. C. Bloomfield	1-1-21	Bilmaria T. E.	
Tpr. A. E. Barker	3-4-41	Superintendent Police	Barrackpore
Tpr. J. H. C. Cowgill	16-10-39	Police Office	Chinsurah
Names missing			